

REMARKS

Claims 1-44 are currently pending. Claims 1-44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schloss (U.S. Patent No. 5,878,233) in view of Jancke et al. (U.S. Patent 5,764,913). Reconsideration and allowance of these Claims are respectfully requested.

103 Rejection

Claims 1-44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schloss (U.S. Patent No. 5,878,233) in view of Jancke et al. (U.S. Patent 5,764,913). Applicants have reviewed the cited references and respectfully submit that the present invention as is recited in Claims 1-44 is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by Schloss (U.S. Patent No. 5,878,233) in view of Jancke et al. (U.S. Patent 5,764,913).

The Examiner is respectfully directed to independent Claim 1 which recites that an embodiment of the present invention is directed to:

A method for validating content comprising the steps of: displaying said content; and displaying an indication of a state of the validation of said content, wherein said state of content corresponds to; not reviewed, use with caution; or reviewed with a positive validation; or reviewed with a negative validation.

Independent Claims 12, 23, and 34 recite limitations similar to those of Claim 1. Claims 1-11, depend from independent Claim 1. Claims 13-22 and 35-43 depend from independent Claim 12, Claims 24-33 depend from independent Claim 23, and Claim 44 depends from independent Claim 34 and further defines the invention.

Schloss does not anticipate or render obvious a method for validating content comprising the steps of, "displaying said content; and displaying an indication of a state of

the validation of said content, wherein said state of content corresponds to; not reviewed, use with caution; or reviewed with a positive validation; or reviewed with a negative validation” as is recited in Claim 1 (or similar limitations of Claims 12, 23 and 34). By contrast, Schloss discloses a system, method, and computer program product for reviewing and creating advisories for data located on a content server. As such, Schloss focuses on the creating and revising of stored advisories related to data content and not on the display of indications “of a state of validation” of such content. Moreover, Claim 1 sets forth specifically defined categories of validation that are to be associated with displayed validation state indications that are nowhere taught or suggested in the Schloss reference. Consequently, the Schloss reference simply does not teach what the Examiner relies upon it as teaching. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Schloss does not anticipate or render obvious the claimed invention as is set forth in Applicants’ Claims 1, 12, 23 and 34.

Jancke et al. does not overcome the deficiencies of Schloss noted above.

Consequently, the combination of Schloss and Jancke et al. does not anticipate or render obvious the Applicants’ claimed invention. Applicants Claim 1 (or similar limitations of Claims 12, 23 and 34) sets forth a method for validating content comprising the steps of, “displaying said content; and displaying an indication of a state of the validation of said content, wherein said state of content corresponds to; not reviewed, use with caution; or reviewed with a positive validation; or reviewed with a negative validation.” By contrast, Jancke et al. discloses a computer network status monitoring system. It should be noted that the Jancke et al. reference is concerned with the monitoring of computer networks whereas Applicants Claim 1 is drawn to a system which characterizes content. As such, even if

Schloss and Jancke et al. are combined, with Schloss being modified as suggested by the Examiner in the outstanding Office Action, the invention as is set forth in Applicants' Claim 1 would not be produced. Consequently, the Jancke et al. reference simply does not teach what the Examiner relies upon it as teaching. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Schloss and Jancke et al., either alone or in combination do not anticipate or render obvious the claimed invention as is set forth in amended Claims 1, 12, 23 and 34.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that Schloss in view of Jancke et al. does not anticipate nor render obvious the present Claimed invention as is recited in independent Claims 1, 12, 23 and 34 and as such Claims 1, 12, 23 and 34 traverse the Examiners basis for rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Accordingly, Applicants submit that Claims 1, 12, 23 and 34 are in condition for allowance. In addition, Schloss in view of Jancke et al. does not anticipate or render obvious the present invention as is recited in Claims 1-11, 13-22 and 35-43, 24-33 and 44 which depend from independent Claims 1, 12, 23 and 34 respectively, and that Claims 1-11, 13-22 and 35-43, 24-33 and 44 also in condition for allowance as being dependent on an allowable base claim.

Conclusion

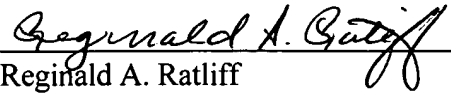
In light of the above-listed amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request allowance of the remaining Claims.

The Examiner is urged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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